

EXHIBIT 2

BEFORE THE MARYLAND OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

HARRISON W., ET AL

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v.

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OAH CASE NO.: MSDE-BE-16-16-02815

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF

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CARROLL COUNTY

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AFFIDAVIT OF THE HONORABLE CHRIS NEVIN

I, Chris Nevin, Mayor of the City of Hampstead, solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury that the contents of this affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief:

1. I was first elected Mayor in 1995. During the initial two terms as Hampstead's chief elected official, I laid the foundation for major projects like the Hampstead Bypass and the renovation of the old Hampstead School. I helped craft an Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance, which requires public services to be matched with the demands of new development and a Rental Housing License Ordinance to help maintain the upkeep and order of rental properties.

2. In 2003, I chose to run for the Town Council. My primary oversight responsibilities were the Town's finances and its police department. When Haven Shoemaker resigned to become the County Commissioner for District 2 in November 2010, I returned to my "old job" as the Mayor. I was then re-elected to the Mayor's seat in May 2011 for a new four-year term.

3. In addition to my duties in Hampstead, I served as a board member for the Maryland Municipal League (MML), a voluntary, nonprofit association representing city and town governments. Through MML, I have been actively involved in lobbying the Legislature to restore funding for road maintenance and law enforcement through June, 2015.

4. My wife I have lived in Hampstead since 1989 and have four children; the youngest of which now attends Bridgewater College after having graduated from North Carroll High School.

5. I remain active in the North Carroll Recreation Council where I volunteered as a basketball coach for a number of years as my children moved through the program and now referee Rec. Council games.

6. As the elected Mayor of Hampstead. I am the spokesperson for the Town and issues which impact the community such as the closing of North Carroll High School.

7. I assist in coordination and use of North Carroll for community and Hampstead events. Among other obligations, I am tasked with assisting in the growth and vibrancy of Hampstead and ensuring that residents are being reasonably taxed for the services provided and that the town continues to successfully grow socially and economically.

8. Consistent with the concerns noted above for the students and their parents based on CCPS' decision, I was not consulted about the possibility of incorporating the whole of North Carroll's student body into Manchester Valley and closing North Carroll High School.

9. Based on the numbers projected by CCPS, Manchester Valley will be over capacity for the duration of the school's current projections which causes concerns by the parents who reside in Hampstead and send their children to Carroll County public high schools.

10. The movement of the high school population from North Carroll where it has been for the past 40 years impacts new housing developed in Hampstead where there will be no high school enrollment available and its citizens who will now have to suffer through traffic issues during the school year as they travel up and down Main Street (Route 30) in Hampstead

through Manchester. Unlike North Carroll which sits on the Hampstead Bypass, Manchester Valley does not.

11. Hampstead is directly impacted by CCPS' decision uniquely from the rest of Carroll County and the public at large. Its citizens' children attend or will attend these high schools, its recreation programs take place at these schools, community events are focused around the schools, they drive in the traffic which flows to and from these schools, and these schools patronize and work at their local businesses.

12. Hampstead will also directly lose revenue earned through the school's use of water provided by the town. There are specific and fixed hydrant and sprinkler fees, along with variable charges based on actual water consumption charged to CCPS by Hampstead, as noted on the attached reports.

13. I have spoken out against the direct impact that the closing of North Carroll will have on Hampstead which is currently undergoing a \$20 million revitalization plan.

14. CCPS' decision has profound effects on students, parents, neighborhoods, communities, and personnel. It will negatively impact routines, relationships, traditions, and lives in Hampstead.

15. North Carroll High School was originally established in 1956 by joining Hampstead and Manchester High Schools. During the 1975-1976 school year, a new building was completed in Hampstead on Maryland Route 482, where the school currently resides. Hampstead schools, anchored by North Carroll, have been a source of pride for the community and offered realtors a unique selling point in a town designated as "Best Place to Raise Kids in Maryland" (Bloomberg Businessweek, 2012).


16. There is a direct impact to the enticement for new homebuyers and new developers to Hampstead if CCPS' decision is upheld since Hampstead will no longer boast a high school in its jurisdiction. Among these local developments in the North Carroll school district are:

- Oakmont Overlook has 23 new homes planned for immediate construction, with a model home built and several homes sold by Ryan Homes.
- Northside Estates is planning 17 homes between Evergreen and Fairmont on land behind Main Street, Hampstead. It has received primary approval from the Planning and Zoning Commission. Hampstead officials expected final approval for construction to be in spring 2016.
- There is a 27 single family home development by Castle Drive and Houcksville Road approved with groundbreaking scheduled for next month.
- Florida Rock owns in excess of 100 acres which could support development of 252 homes between the bypass and Houcksville that is undergoing consideration to be rezoned residential because it is unsuitable for industrial traffic.
- The Powers Brothers are in the planning process for a 275 single family home development that will be located between Upper Beckleysville and Lower Beckleysville which is expected to begin building houses within in two years.

17. In addition to these planned developments, the County's Buildable Land Inventory outlined development possibilities throughout Hampstead and Manchester. This County document, which is expressly prepared for planning purposes, identified an overwhelming amount of land available for development in Hampstead all of which may now be built since the building moratoriums imposed on the Towns by the County for the past six years have been lifted.

18. On behalf of myself and the Town of Hampstead, I have also provided public comment to CCPS against the closure. Attached is one such email joined by the County's mayors.

Date: 3/17/16


Chris Nevin, Mayor
Town of Hampstead

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TOWN OF HAMPSTEAD
1034 S. Carroll Street
Hampstead, MD 21074

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Account Billing History
01/01/2015 to 12/31/2015

Service Address:

NORTH CARROLL HIGH SCHOOL
1400 PANTHER DRIVE
HAMPSTEAD, MD 21074-1615

Billing Info:

CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ATTN: C & I DEPARTMENT
PO BOX 668
MANDAN, ND 58554-0668

Owner Info:

Billing Info								
Service	Amount	Penalty	Tax	Prior	Consumption	Actual	Variance	Read Date
12/31/2015	Bill ID: 15-12-31	Due: 01/31/2016	Balance: \$ 0.00					
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00	
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00	
A WATER-I	\$3,352.31	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	470	\$3,352.31	\$0.00	12/07/2015
Total Bill:	\$4,272.31	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	478	\$4,272.31	\$0.00	
09/30/2015	Bill ID: 15-9-30	Due: 10/31/2015	Balance: \$ 0.00					
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00	
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00	
A WATER-I	\$5,385.41	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	730	\$5,385.41	\$0.00	09/03/2015
Total Bill:	\$6,305.41	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	738	\$6,305.41	\$0.00	
06/30/2015	Bill ID: 15-6-30	Due: 07/31/2015	Balance: \$ 0.00					
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00	
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00	
A WATER-I	\$2,906.03	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	430	\$2,906.03	\$0.00	06/04/2015
Total Bill:	\$3,826.03	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	438	\$3,826.03	\$0.00	
03/31/2015	Bill ID: 15-3-31	Due: 04/30/2015	Balance: \$ 0.00					
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00	
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00	
A WATER-I	\$938.03	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	150	\$938.03	\$0.00	03/12/2015
Total Bill:	\$1,858.03	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	158	\$1,858.03	\$0.00	
Account Totals:	\$16,261.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	1,812	\$16,261.78		

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PO BOX 668
MANDAN, ND 58554-0668

Owner Info:

Billing Info									
Service	Amount	Penalty	Tax	Prior	Consumption	Actual	Variance	Read Date	
12/31/2014	Bill ID: 14-12-31	Due: 01/31/2015	Balance: \$ 0.00						
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00		
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00		
A WATER-I	\$1,905.03	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	290	\$1,905.03	\$0.00	12/08/2014	
Total Bill:	\$2,825.03	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	298	\$2,825.03	\$0.00		
09/30/2014	Bill ID: 14-9-30	Due: 10/31/2014	Balance: \$ 0.00						
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00		
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00		
A WATER-I	\$10,439.73	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	1,410	\$10,439.73	\$0.00	09/10/2014	
Total Bill:	\$11,359.73	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	1,418	\$11,359.73	\$0.00		
06/30/2014	Bill ID: 14-6-30	Due: 07/31/2014	Balance: \$ 0.00						
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00		
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00		
A WATER-I	\$2,359.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	370	\$2,359.98	\$0.00	06/03/2014	
Total Bill:	\$3,279.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	378	\$3,279.98	\$0.00		
03/31/2014	Bill ID: 14-3-31	Due: 04/30/2014	Balance: \$ 0.00						
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00		
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00		
A WATER-I	\$828.88	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	140	\$828.88	\$0.00	03/07/2014	
Total Bill:	\$1,748.88	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	148	\$1,748.88	\$0.00		
Account Totals:	\$19,213.62	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	2,242	\$19,213.62			

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Owner Info:

Billing Info

Service	Amount	Penalty	Tax	Prior	Consumption	Actual	Variance	Read Date
12/31/2013	Bill ID: 13-12-31	Due: 01/31/2014	Balance: \$ 0.00					
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00	
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00	
A WATER-1	\$2,564.28	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	400	\$2,564.28	\$0.00	12/05/2013
Total Bill:	\$3,484.28	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	408	\$3,484.28	\$0.00	
09/30/2013	Bill ID: 13-9-30	Due: 10/31/2013	Balance: \$ 0.00					
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00	
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00	
A WATER-1	\$5,027.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	750	\$5,027.78	\$0.00	09/04/2013
Total Bill:	\$5,947.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	758	\$5,947.78	\$0.00	
06/30/2013	Bill ID: 13-6-30	Due: 07/31/2013	Balance: \$ 0.00					
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00	
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00	
A WATER-1	\$3,770.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	600	\$3,770.56	\$0.00	06/11/2013
Total Bill:	\$4,690.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	608	\$4,690.56	\$0.00	
03/31/2013	Bill ID: 13-3-31	Due: 04/30/2013	Balance: \$ 0.00					
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00	
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00	
A WATER-1	\$1,036.46	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	180	\$1,036.46	\$0.00	03/05/2013
Total Bill:	\$1,956.46	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	188	\$1,956.46	\$0.00	
Account Totals:	\$16,079.08	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	1,962	\$16,079.08		

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12/31/2012	Bill ID: 12-12-31	Due: 01/31/2013	Balance: \$ 0.00					
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00	
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00	
A WATER-I	\$2,896.86	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	470	\$2,896.86	\$0.00	12/04/2012
Total Bill:	\$3,816.86	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	478	\$3,816.86	\$0.00	
09/30/2012	Bill ID: 12-9-30	Due: 10/31/2012	Balance: \$ 0.00					
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00	
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00	
A WATER-I	\$6,486.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	1,000	\$6,486.56	\$0.00	09/05/2012
Total Bill:	\$7,406.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	1,008	\$7,406.56	\$0.00	
06/30/2012	Bill ID: 12-6-30	Due: 07/31/2012	Balance: \$ 0.00					
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00	
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00	
A WATER-I	\$2,821.36	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	480	\$2,821.36	\$0.00	06/05/2012
Total Bill:	\$3,741.36	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	488	\$3,741.36	\$0.00	
03/31/2012	Bill ID: 12-3-31	Due: 04/30/2012	Balance: \$ 0.00					
A HYDRANT-HYD	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$240.00	\$0.00	
A SPRINKLER-SPR	\$680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	8	\$680.00	\$0.00	
A WATER-I	\$1,046.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	190	\$1,046.56	\$0.00	03/06/2012
Total Bill:	\$1,966.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	198	\$1,966.56	\$0.00	
Account Totals:	\$16,931.34	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	2,172	\$16,931.34		

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From: Kip Barkley <Kip_Barkley@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, December 07, 2015 5:54 PM
To: Doolan, James; Seidel, Jennifer; Harrison, Virginia; Lord, Robert; Rothschild, Devon
Cc: Guthrie, Stephen
Subject: RE: Proposal regarding School Closings and Redistricting

Just in case you missed this over the weekend, since you seem to be so out of step.

MAYORS STATEMENT -

As the Mayors of Carroll County's eight Municipalities we have concerns about the long term implications of the Superintendent's school closing plan. Throughout the process a number of plans have been presented which we believe deserve serious consideration. The County residents as taxpayers, teachers and most importantly students deserve a well thought out plan that considers both operating and capital costs over the long term. Each Municipality will be impacted by this decision and we believe the Superintendent and Board of Education should take additional time to review all the alternatives presented. In a recent meeting with the County Commissioners, we discussed County Branding and attracting more families to Carroll County. This plan will be a significant factor in how our County is viewed and should be considered by a cross section of people in an effort to provide the best and most efficient school system possible.

Ryan Warner, Manchester
Patrick Rockinberg, Mount Airy
Neal Roop, New Windsor
Ian Shaw, Sykesville
James McCarron, Taneytown
Perry Jones, Union Bridge
Kevin Utz, Westminster
Christopher Nevin, Hampstead

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